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INTEGRATED AND COORDINATED IMPLEMENTATION AND FOLLOW-UP OF THE MAJOR INTERNATIONAL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCES AND SUMMITS

Draft decision submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Mr. Juan Somavía (Chile), as a result of informal consultations

Session of the Economic and Social Council in 1998 on integrated and coordinated implementation and follow-up of the major United Nations conferences and summits

The Economic and Social Council,

(a) Notes that General Assembly resolution 50/227 of 24 May 1996, the Agenda for Development and other relevant resolutions of the Assembly and the Council as well as the Council's Agreed Conclusions provide a basis for intergovernmental integrated and coordinated implementation and follow-up of the major United Nations conferences and summits;

(b) Decides to convene a session of the Council immediately after its organizational session of 1998, of two or three days' duration, to further consider the theme of integrated and coordinated implementation and follow-up of the major United Nations conferences and summits, with a view to assisting the consideration of this item at the substantive session of 1998;

(c) Also decides that special attention in this session will be dedicated to considering the outcome of the comprehensive review by the Administrative Committee on Coordination, to be carried out at its second regular session of 1997, on the work of its task forces as well as to enhancing the dialogue between the Council, its subsidiary bodies and the United Nations funds and programmes and organizations of the system, in particular within the context of the preparation of forthcoming review processes of United Nations conferences, with a view to ensuring the promotion of the integrated and coordinated follow-up to the United Nations global conferences, in pursuit of the goals and commitments established by international conferences;

(d) Requests the Bureau of the Council in consultation with the Secretariat to establish arrangements for this session.